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SECRET 141608Z AUG 68 CITE [REDACTED]

25X1A

IDEALIST/SCOPE CROSS

1. [REDACTED] IS RETRANSMITTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND NECESSARY

ACTION. QUOTE. 1. PROJECT HQS IS PLANNING TO DEPLOY A [REDACTED] 25X1A

FWD DETACH WITH ONE U2R AND ITS ASSOCIATED GROUND SUPPORT EQUIP TO

MCCOY AFB, FLA., DURING THE WEEK OF 16 SEPT 1968. THE PURPOSE OF THIS

DEPLOYMENT WILL BE TO EVALUATE AND QUALIFY THE U2R [REDACTED] UNDER 25X1A

THE HIGH-HUMIDITY CONDITIONS AT THAT STATION. THE UNCLASSIFIED

NICKNAME FOR THIS DEPLOYMENT IS "SCOPE CROSS", AND ALL MSG TRAFFIC

PERTAINING TO THIS OPERATION WILL BE SO SLUGGED. 2. TENTATIVELY, THE

PLAN IS TO HAVE THE [REDACTED] FWD DETACH ARRIVE AT MCCOY ON 16 SEPT, FLY

ONE EACH, 4-HOUR SORTIE ON 17, 18 AND 19 SEPT, AND THEN RETURN TO

[REDACTED] ON 20 SEPT. IT IS PLANNED TO DEPLOY ARTICLE 057 WITH ALL

SYSTEMS [REDACTED] AS WELL AS THE B CAMERA) AND TO OPERATE THESE SYSTEMS ON

ALL OF THE MCCOY LOCAL 4-HOUR FLTS. 3. TENTATIVE SEQUENCE OF EVENTS.

A. 15 SEP: SUPPORT ACFT DEP [REDACTED] FOR MCCOY

B. 16 SEP: U-2R DEP [REDACTED] FOR MCCOY

C. 17, 18 & 19 SEP: U2R FLYS LOCAL FLIGHTS FROM MCCOY

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D. 20SEP: U2R AND SUPPORT ACFT DEP MCCOY FOR [] 25X1A

4. THE COVER PLAN FOR THIS OPERATION WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF A SEPARATE MSG; HOWEVER, IT IS TENTATIVELY PLANNED AT THIS TIME TO DEPLOY THE U2R AS IF IT WERE A SAC U-2 FROM DAVIS-MONTHAN ON A NORMAL DEPLOYMENT INTO MCCOY. 5. [] TO ADVISE THIS HQS NLT 30 AUG WEIGHT, CUBE OF EQUIPMENT AND NUMBER OF PERSONNEL TO BE DEPLOYED FOR THE OPERATION.

25X1A 2. FOR [] 25X1A

A. REQUEST YOU ADVISE [] ON SUPPORT AVAILABLE AT OL-19 (I.E., HANGAR SPACE, SHOP SPACE, AGE, ETC.) PLUS ANY PROBLEM AREAS OR IMPACT ON OL-19 OPERATION IN SUPPORTING SCOPE CROSS.

25X1A B. SUBMIT TO [] NAMES OF OL-19 PERSONNEL REQUIRING COMBAT SHACK BRIEFING.

C. MAINTAIN COVER INDICATED IN PARA 4 OF QUOTED [] 25X1A

D. ADVISE IF IDEALIST CLEARED CONTACT AVAILABLE AT OL-19.

25X1A 3. FOR [] CONCURS IN USE OF MCCOY AFB AS BEST DEPLOYMENT LOCATION.

END OF MSG